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Tomonori KATO et al. : Attorney Docket No. 2003_1576
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in further response to the Restriction Requirement of February 1, 2006.

Applicants, by their undersigned representative, hereby elect Species A, upon which claims 1-20 are readable.

Having made the required election, a full examination on the merits of the elected invention is hereby requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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